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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
5 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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7 PATRICIA A. BASCOM,

Case No. 2:18-cv-01284-MMD-GWF

8 Plaintiff,

9 v.

ORDER

10 UNITED STATES PROBATION
OFFICE, *et al.*,

11 Defendant.
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13 This matter is before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion Requesting Appointment of Counsel
14 (ECF No. 4), filed September 4, 2018. The instant motion was filed by Mr. Ronald Mortenson,
15 who describes himself as "next friend of Plaintiff." The motion request the court appoint counsel
16 to assist Plaintiff in proceeding with her 42 U.S.C. § 1983 civil rights complaint. Mr. Mortenson
17 is not a licensed attorney but represents that he is permitted to file on behalf of Plaintiff pursuant
18 to *Gometz v. Henman*, 807 F.2d 113, 115 (7th Cir. 1986); and *Wolff v. McDonell*, 418 U.S. 539
19 (1974). This argument is incorrect. A non-lawyer may not appear as counsel for a litigant other
20 than himself or herself. Plaintiff is advised that if she unable to retain counsel, all motions to the
21 Court must be filed *pro se*. Accordingly,

22 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Plaintiff's Motion Requesting Appointment of
23 Counsel (ECF No. 4) is denied, without prejudice.

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25 Dated this 13th day of September, 2018.

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28 GEORGE FOLEY, JR.
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE